

and the bill were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Pages H7509–20**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

***Strengthening United States-India Relations:*** H. Res. 572, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is in the interest of both the United States and the Republic of India to expand and strengthen United States-India relations, intensify bilateral cooperation in the fight against terrorism, and broaden the ongoing dialogue between the United States and India, of which the upcoming visit to the United States of the Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, is a significant step. (Debated and agreed to by voice vote on September 12, 2000. Agreed today to vacate the request for an electronic vote on the motion); **Page H7520**

***Foreign Sales Corporation Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion:*** H.R. 4986, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a recorded vote of 315 ayes to 109 noes with 1 voting “present,” Roll No. 467); and **Page H7521**

***Honoring the Service and Sacrifice by the United States Merchant Marine:*** H. Con. Res. 327, honoring the service and sacrifice during periods of war by members of the United States Merchant Marine. (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a ye and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 469). **Pages H7522–23**

**Suspension Failed—Repeal of Boy Scouts Federal Charter:** The House failed to pass H.R. 4892, to repeal the Federal charter of the Boy Scouts of America by a ye and nay vote of 12 yeas to 362 nays with 51 voting “present,” Roll No. 468. The bill was debated on September 12, 2000. **Pages H7521–22**

**DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct:** Rejected the Graham motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, not to agree to provisions which (1) fail to recognize that the 14th amendment to the Constitution guarantees all persons equal protection under the law; (2) deny equal protection under the law by conditioning prosecution of certain offenses on the race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability of the victim; and (3) preclude a person con-

victed of murder from being sentenced to death by a ye and nay vote of 196 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 470. **Pages H7523–32**

**DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct:** Agreed to the Conyers motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, to agree to the provisions contained in title XV of the Senate amendment by a ye and nay vote of 232 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 471. **Pages H7532–41**

**Presidential Transition Act:** The House passed H.R. 4931, to provide for the training or orientation of individuals, during a Presidential transition, who the President intends to appoint to certain key positions, to provide for a study and report on improving the financial disclosure process for certain Presidential nominees. **Pages H7542–43**

**Member of the Republican Conference:** Read a letter from Representative Martinez wherein he announced his affiliation with the Republican conference. Subsequently, read letters from Representative Frost and the Speaker dealing with his resignation from the Democratic Caucus and vacating his election to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and International Relations. **Pages H7541–42**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7508–09, H7520, H7521, H7521–22, H7522–23, H7531–32, and H7541. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ANIMAL WELFARE ACT AMENDMENTS

**Committee on Agriculture:** Held a hearing on H.R. 1275, to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the interstate movement of live birds for the purpose of having the birds participate in animal fighting. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN CONSERVATION ACT

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit held a hearing on H.R. 4013, Upper Mississippi River Basin Conservation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gutknecht and Kind; Thomas A. Weber, Deputy Chief, Programs, Natural Resources Conservation Service,

USDA; Robert Hirsch, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

#### IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION ACT

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Held a hearing on H.R. 4311, Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2000, and related financial fraud issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hooley and LaTourette; Betsy Broder, Assistant Director, Division of Planning and Information, FTC; Bruce Townsend, Special Agent in Charge, Financial Crimes Division, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

#### CONTROLLING WILDFIRES

*Committee on the Budget:* Task Force on Natural Resources and the Environment held a hearing on Controlling Wildfires In the Future: What Strategies and Resources Are Needed? Testimony was heard from Randle G. Phillips, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy Resource and Science Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

#### “ORGANIZED CRIME ON WALL STREET”

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled: “Organized Crime on Wall Street.” Testimony was heard from Thomas V. Fuentes, Chief, Organized Crime Section, Criminal Investigation Division, FBI, Department of Justice; Richard H. Walker, Director, Division of Enforcement, SEC; and public witnesses.

#### SECURING THE HEALTH OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Securing the Health of the American People: focusing on the following measures: H.R. 2399, National Commission for the New National Goal: The Advancement of Global Health Act; H.R. 4242, Orphan Drug Innovation Act; H.R. 762, Lupus Research and Care Amendments of 1999; H.R. 3677, Thomas Navarro FDA Patient Rights Act; H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act; and a resolution recognizing the importance of researching childhood cancers. Testimony was heard from Jack McCormick, Deputy Director, Office of Orphan Drugs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### TRUTH IN TELEPHONE BILLING ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3011, Truth in Telephone Billing Act of 1999.

Subcommittee recessed until September 18.

#### RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF QUALITY TEACHERS

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Recruitment and Retention of Quality Teachers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### LABORATORIES OF DEMOCRACY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Lessons From the Laboratories of Democracy: Environmental Innovation in the States. Testimony was heard from Joe Hackney, Representative, State of North Carolina; Jim Seif, Secretary, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Pennsylvania; Landon Marsh, Director, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Oregon; Karen Studders, Commissioner, Pollution Control Agency, State of Minnesota; Lisa Polak Edgar, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Florida; Christopher Recchia, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, State of Vermont; and public witnesses.

#### BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on Biological Weapons Convention: Status and Implications. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Donald A. Mahley, Special Negotiator, Chemical and Biological Arms Control, Department of State; Susan Koch, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Threat Reduction Policy), Department of Defense; Roger Majak, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce; Jack L. Brock, Jr., Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### WESTERN SAHARA—U.N. REFERENDUM

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on U.N. Referendum for Western Sahara: 9 Years and Counting. Testimony was heard from Allen Keiswetter, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 328, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and

fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma; and H. Con. Res. 397, voicing concern about serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in most states of Central Asia, including substantial noncompliance with their Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) commitments on democratization and the holding of free and fair elections.

#### **CORPORATE AND INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Corporate and Industrial Espionage and Their Effects on American Competitiveness. Testimony was heard from Sheila Horan, Deputy Assistant Director, Counter Intelligence, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3575, Student Athlete Protection Act; Opportunities Act; H.R. 5106, Copyright Technical Corrections Act of 2000; H.R. 5107, Work Made for Hire and Copyright Corrections Act of 2000; and H.R. 534, amended, Fairness and Voluntary Arbitration Act.

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Ordered reported the following measures: S. 426, Huna Totem Corporation Public Interest Land Exchange Act; S. 964, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act; H.R. 1500, America's Wilderness Protection Act; S. 1778, to provide for equal exchanges of land around the Cascade Reservoir; H.R. 3067, amended, Nampa and Meridian Conveyance Act; H.R. 3986, amended, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington; H.R. 4613, amended, National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000; H.R. 4656, to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site; and H.R. 4800, amended, Ronald Reagan Recognition Act of 2000.

#### **HOUSE RULES—PROPOSED CHANGES**

*Committee on Rules:* Held a hearing to receive Member testimony on proposed changes to House Rules. Testimony was heard from Representatives Burton of Indiana, Morella, Davis of Virginia, Gary Miller of California, Tancred, Norton and Underwood.

#### **NASA'S SPACE SCIENCE ENTERPRISE**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Technology held a hearing on the State of NASA's Space Science Enterprise. Testimony was heard from Edward Weiler, Associate Administrator, Office of Space Science, NASA; and public witnesses.

#### **TECHNICAL STANDARDS ROLE IN TODAY'S SOCIETY**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the Role of Technical Standards in Today's Society and in the Future. Testimony was heard from Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institutes of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **DOT'S PROPOSED NEPA AND PLANNING RULES**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held a hearing on the Department of Transportation's Proposed NEPA and Planning Rules. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; and Patrick R. Reilly, Chief Counsel, Federal Transit Administration; Mary E. Peters, Director, Department of Transportation, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

#### **FEDERAL AGENCY SHUTTLES**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Federal Agency Shuttles. Testimony was heard from G. Martin Wagner, Associate Administrator, Governmentwide Policy, GSA; and William G. Dowd, Director, Office of Plans Review, National Capital Planning Commission.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL ACT**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5109, Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Personnel Act of 2000.

#### **AFRICAN DIAMONDS TRADE**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on trade in African diamonds. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hall of Ohio, Wolf, Payne and McKinney; William B. Wood, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Organization Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2000**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine stem cell research, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Budget*, to hold hearings on budgeting for defense, focusing on maintaining today's forces, 2 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*, to hold hearings to examine air traffic control delays; to be followed by a hearing on the nominations of David Z. Plavin, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council; Arthenia L. Joyner, of Florida, to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council; and Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*, to hold oversight hearings on the transportation of Alaska North Slope natural gas market and to investigate the cost, environmental aspects and energy security implications to Alaska and the rest of the nation for alternative routes and projects, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 2749, to establish the California Trail Interpretive Center in Elko, Nevada, to facilitate the interpretation of the history of development and use of trails in the setting of the western portion of the United States; S. 2885, to establish the Jamestown 400th Commemoration Commission; S. 2950, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Sand Creek Massacre Historic Site in the State of Colorado; S. 2959, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992; and S. 3000, to authorize the exchange of land between the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency at the George Washington Memorial Parkway in McLean, Virginia, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*, to hold hearings on the nomination of the following named officer for appointment as the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601 and 3036: Maj. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, to be Lieutenant General, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to continue hearings on the Draft Biological Opinions by the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operation of the Federal Columbia River Power System and the Federal Caucus draft Basinwide Salmon Recovery Strategy, 1 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, Subcommittee on International Operations, to hold hearings on exchange programs and the national interest, 9 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs*, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services,

to hold hearings on the state of foreign language capabilities in national security and the Federal Government, 11 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs*, to hold hearings on S. 2899, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States' relationship with Native Hawaiians, 3:30 p.m., SR-485.

*Committee on Small Business*, to hold hearings to examine slotting fees, and the battle family farmers are having to stay on the farm and in the grocery store, 1 p.m., SD-628.

**House**

*Committee on Commerce*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3100, Know Your Caller Act; H.R. 2592, to amend the Consumer Products Safety Act to provide that low-speed electric bicycles are consumer products subject to such Act; H.R. 3850, Independent Telecommunications Consumer Enhancement Act of 2000; H.R. 2346, to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment; H.R. 1689, to prohibit States from imposing restrictions on the operation of motor vehicles providing limousine service between a place in a State and a place in another State; H.R. 2641, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; and H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act, 11:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on How to Improve Pension Coverage for American Workers, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on a Review of Mine Safety and Health: The State of the Industry Today, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on H.Res. 398, United States Training on and Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Resolution, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.R. 5018, Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 2000, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up the following: H.R. 4068, Religious Workers Act of 2000; and a private relief bill, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, oversight hearing on General Accounting Office review of Endangered Species Act implementation in Southern California, 11 a.m., 3124 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Private Conservation Efforts: Lessons for National Forests, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to consider the Debt Relief Lockbox Reconciliation Act for Fiscal Year 2001, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.